

REMARKS

Applicant amended claims 50, 58, 65, and 71-77, and added new claims 78-104 to further define Applicant's claimed invention.

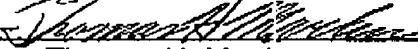
Entry and consideration of this Amendment prior to the examination of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this reply, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1068.

Respectfully submitted,

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